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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 CHARLES REGINALD COOKS,

No. 2:16-cv-0004-EFB P

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

ORDER

14 CHARLIE BECK, et al.,

15 Defendants.
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17 Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding without counsel in an action brought under 42
18 U.S.C. § 1983. His complaint arises out of events that occurred in Los Angeles County. He
19 seeks leave to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915.

20 The federal venue statute provides that a civil action “may be brought in (1) a judicial
21 district in which any defendant resides, if all defendants are residents of the State in which the
22 district is located, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions
23 giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of property that is the subject of the action
24 is situated, or (3) if there is no district in which an action may otherwise be brought as provided in
25 this action, any judicial district in which any defendant is subject to the court’s personal
26 jurisdiction with respect to such action.” 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).


27 In this case, defendants are located in and the claim arose in Los Angeles County.

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1 Because Los Angeles County lies within the venue of the Western Division of the Central District
2 of California, venue properly lies in that district and not in this one. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b); 28
3 U.S.C. § 84(c)(2).

4 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is transferred to the Western
5 Division of United States District Court for the Central District of California. *See* 28 U.S.C.
6 § 1406(a).

7 DATED: January 15, 2016.


EDMUND F. BRENNAN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE